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Rep. Brenda Barton Praises American Leadership Academy for Coursework in Real-World Business Development and Entrepreneurship Skills

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – Representative Brenda Barton (R-6) today praised the Ironwood Campus of the American Leadership Academy for creating educational opportunities for students that provide real-life entrepreneurship skills and leadership opportunities for students.

The course, *Entrepreneurship and Financial Literacy*, guides students in how to create their own income-generating business, as well as solutions for navigating the marketplace with actual money and real business decisions. The syllabus of the course also aims to promote positive personal development and fundamental life values.

"The incredible work being done at the American Leadership Academy is certainly an educational success story in Arizona," said Representative Brenda Barton. "The efforts of 12th grade teacher Mr. Jeff Laniewski and Principal Ray Turley will equip our next generation with the skills needed for personal and professional success."

Since the course's creation, students at Ironwood High School have produced over \$32,000 in revenue from their projects.

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